their grievances against the management during the 2nd/3rd week of April 1987;

(b) if so, what are the reasons of their protest;

(c) whether the Vayudoot Pilots Association have sent a charter of demands;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action contemplated by Government on the demands?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) The management of Vayudoot received reports of some pilots wearing black badges on the 14th of April, 1987 at Delhi, Bombay and Madras, the reasons for which were not communicated to the management;

(c) to (e) Since there is no recognised Vayudoot Pilots Association, the question of submission of demands by such Association and action on them does not arise.

Guideline to make Ambitious Programmes for Women's Welfare

1209. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH: HANSPAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has given any guidelines to the State Governments to prepare ambitious programmes for welfare of women; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

Accidents involving Air India Aircraft

1210. SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of accidents which took place in Air India aircraft in India and abroad during the last two years with the reasons in each case; and

(b) the measures taken to minimise such accidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) There was only one accident to Air India aircraft which occurred when Boeing 747 'Kanishka' VT-EFO crashed off the Irish coast on 23rd June, 1985. A Court of Enquiry headed by Justice B. N. Kirpal investigated into the accident and came to conclusion that the accident was caused by explosion due to bomb blast in the forward cargo-hold area.

(b) Action has been initiated to implement the recommendations made by the Court.

Discrimination in mis-carriage maternity benefit to the female employees in AIIMS

1211. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether it is a fact that the women employees, including nurses, of All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, are being discriminated against in respect of maternity benefits in cases of miscarriage, compared to other hospitals in the capital like Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital; if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(b) if not, what benefit is given to the women employees of AIIMS at the time of miscarriage; and how it compares with that given to employees of other hospitals; and

(c) whether section-9 of Maternity Benefit Act is being implemented in respect thereof; and if not, the reasons therefor?